# Extra! Extra!: Utilizing Newspaper Indexes in Locating Obituaries

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# More Than Just Obituaries!

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- Place of death
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- Funeral home
- Spouse's name
- Spouse's birth date
- Spouse's place of birth
- Spouse's place of death
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- Marriage date
- Place of marriage
- Surviving family members
- Number of children/g
- Maiden names
- Fraternal organizations
- Social clubs
- Military service
- Length of residence
- Business name
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ZUIDEMA — Mr. Edward
Zuidema, age 91, of Jenison, formerly
of Ryron Center went to be with his
Lee, also an infant daughter, and his
bro He will be lovingly remembered by
his children, Vonnie (Arthur Lee)
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(Ralph) DenHartigh, Doc (Kim)
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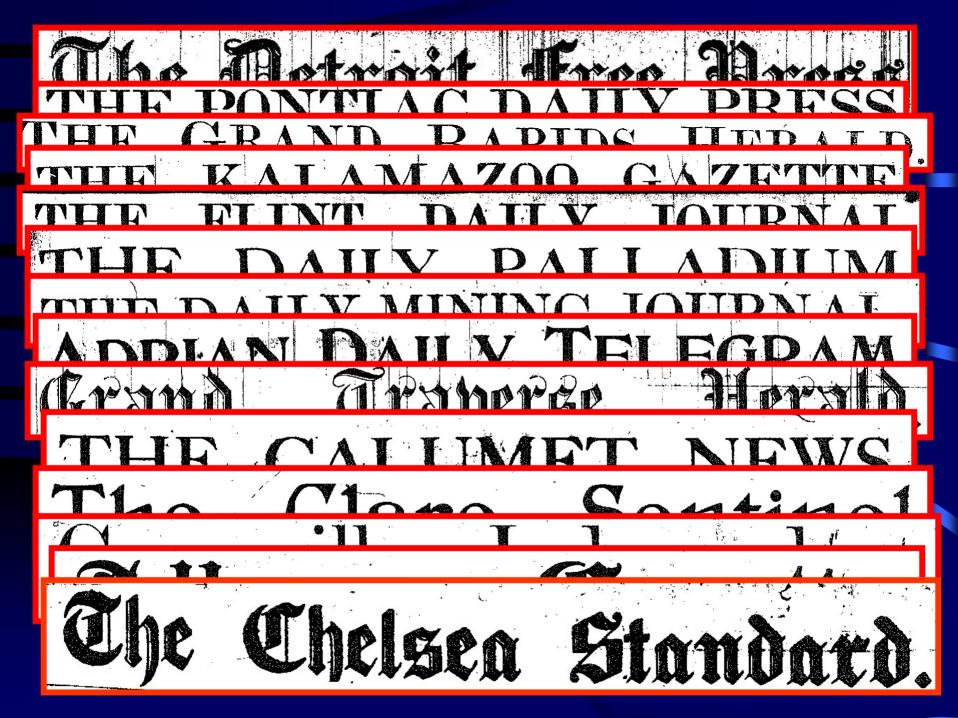
sica, SD. Ed received three bronze stars during his service in the Army

The funeral service will be held II a.m. Saturday at the Cook Memorial Chapel - 4235 Prairie SW - Grandville (East building). Interment will be at Winchester Cemetery. Relatives and

unable to attend the service or visitation, please sign the family's memory book at www.cookfuneralservices.com.

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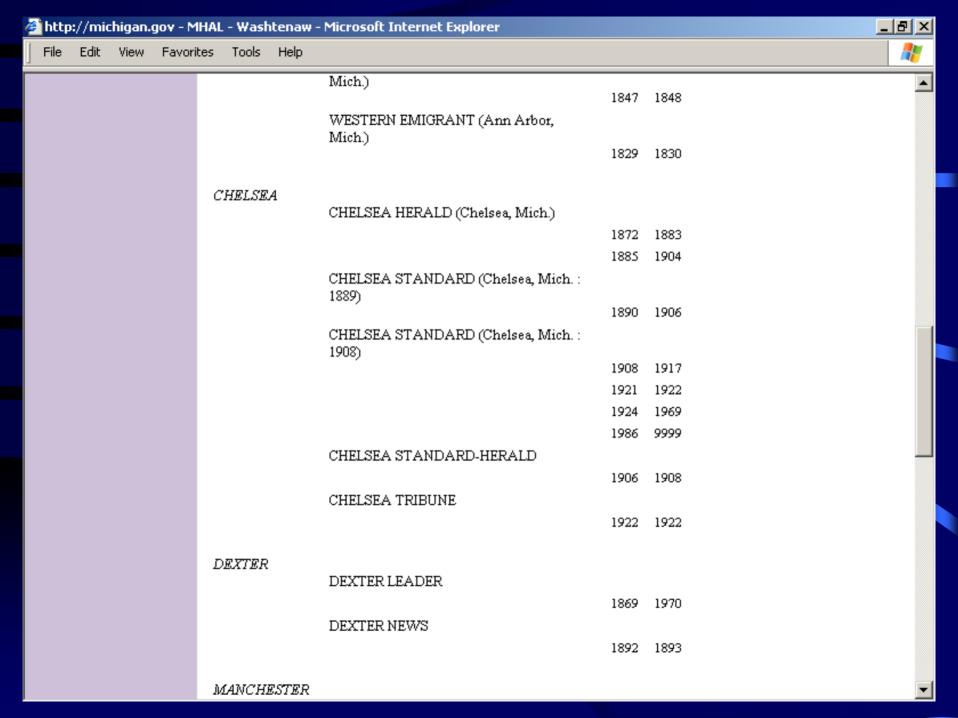
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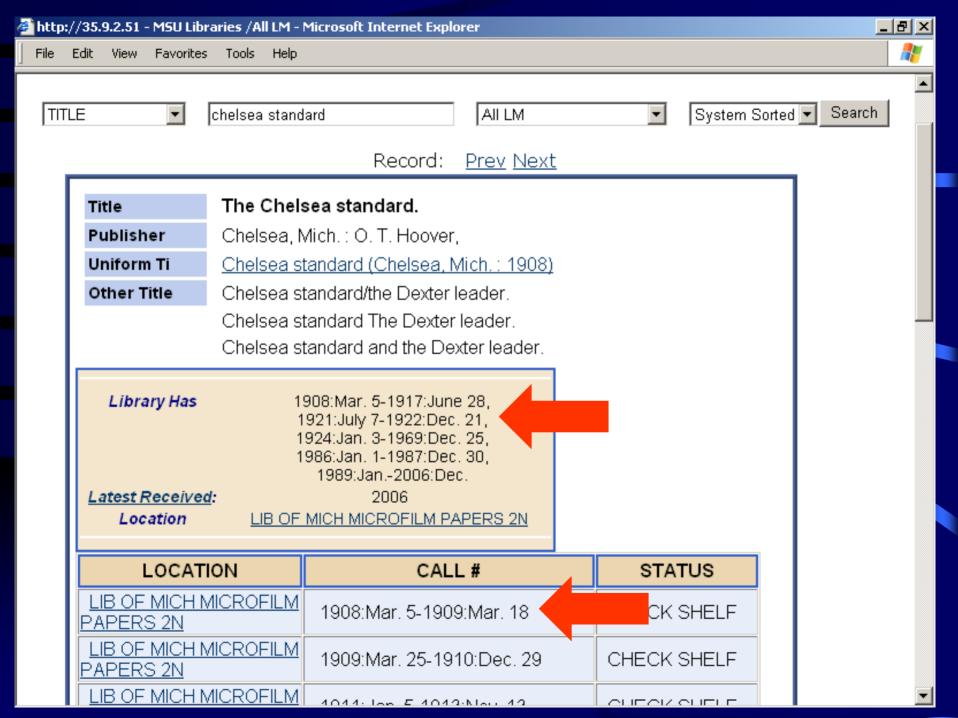
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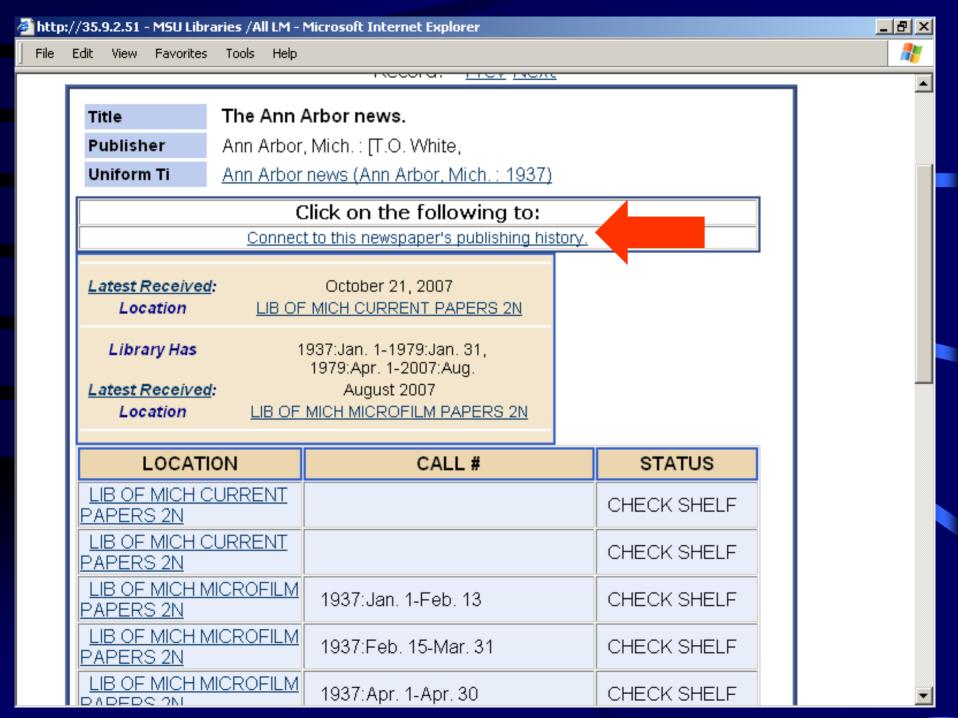
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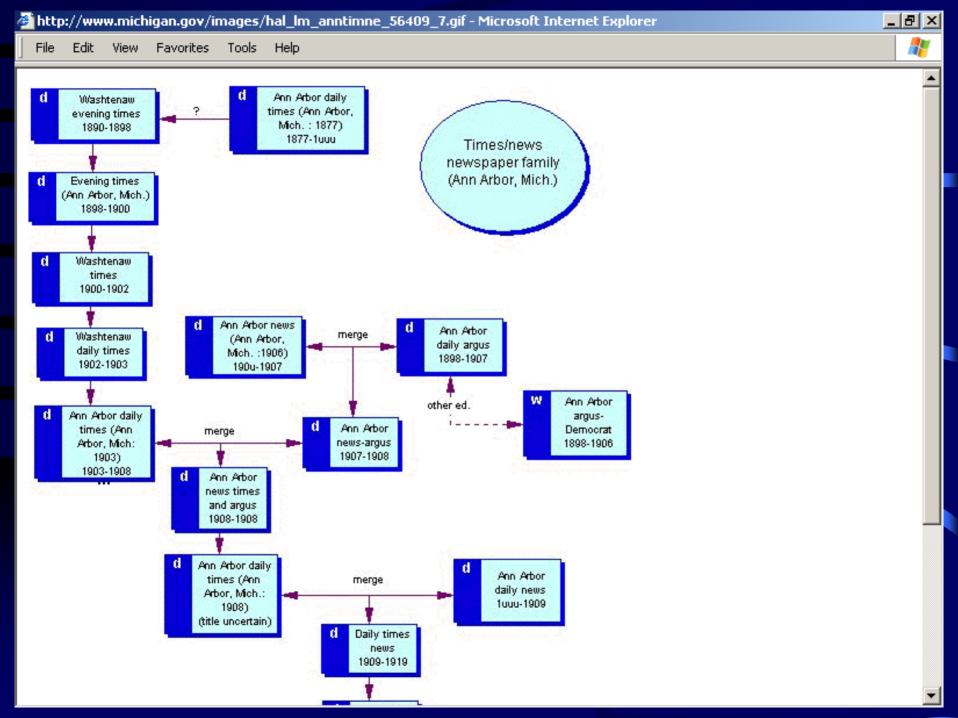
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Ingham County democrat newspaper of Mason, Michigan, 1901-1915: an index to names found in death notices, burials, obituaries, notices of postmortems, murder trials and life insurance pay-offs / extracted by Julie Carr.

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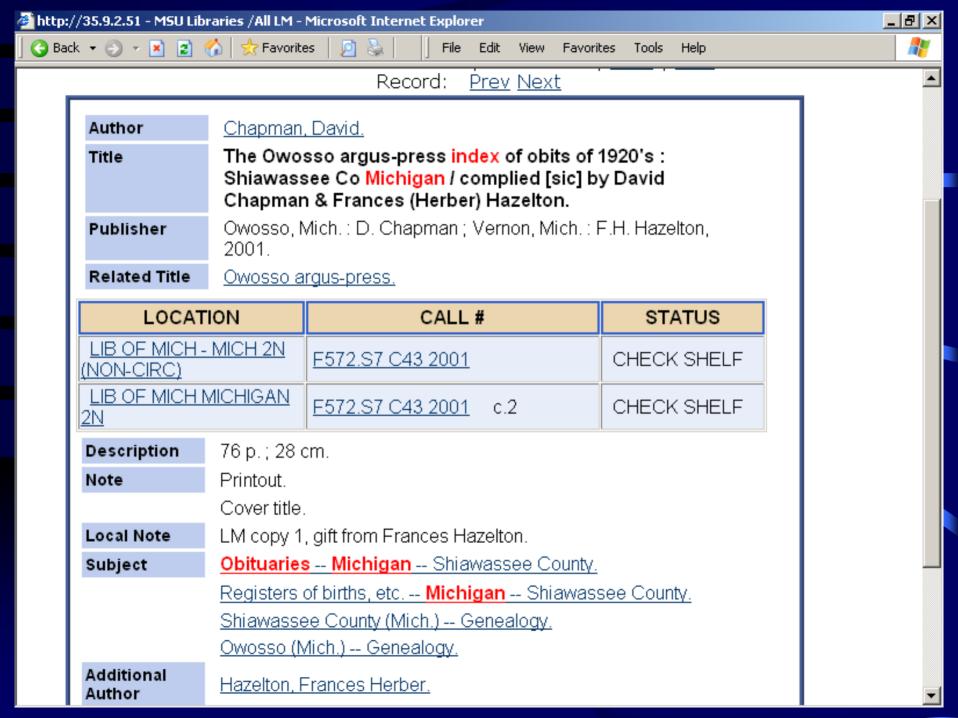
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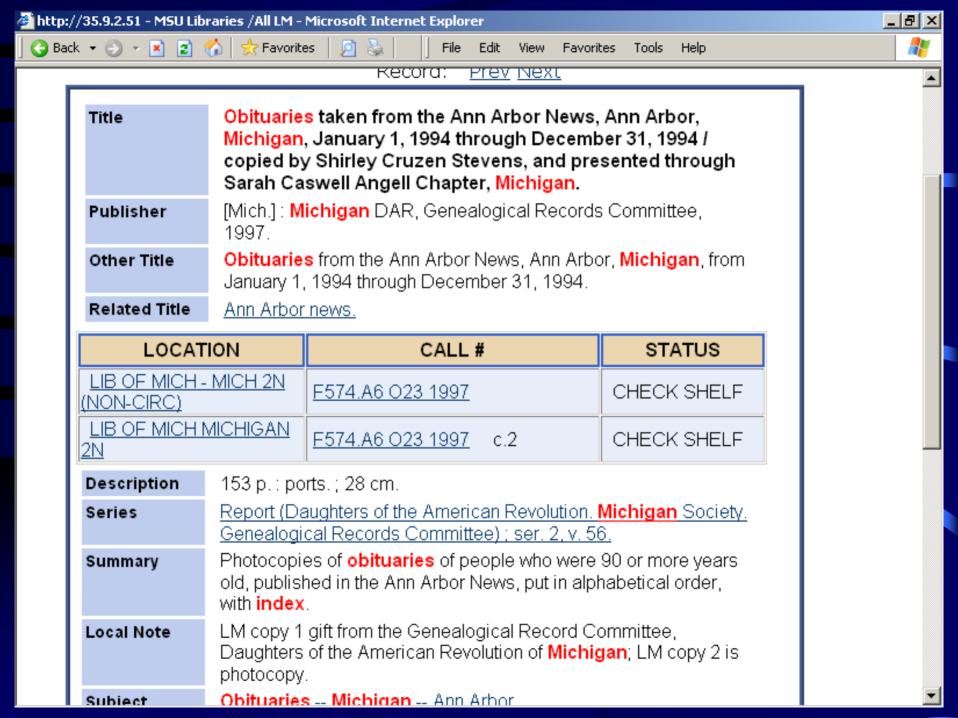
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# Paul Pischel Funeral Is Set Thursday

Funeral services for Paul Pischel, 51, who died Sunday, will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday from the Doherty Funeral Home in Coleman. He was a lifelong Coleman resident and brother of Coleman Mayor William Pischel.

The Rev. Vernon Michaels of the Coleman Methodist Church will officiate, Burial will be in Coleman Cemetery

Mr. Pischel was born Jan. 24, 1903, in Coleman and was a carpenter by trade. He is survived by three children Virginia, Dollie and Ernest, all of Long Beach, Cal.; four brothers, William Pischel, Coleman; Lawrence Pischel, Cleveland, O.; Alex Pischel, Miami, Fla.; and Edward Pischel, Miami, Fla.; and Edward Pischel, Kansas City, Mo.; four sisters, Mrs. Mary Clark, Lansing, Mrs. Emma Sente, Coleman; Mrs. Anna Randall, Okemos; and Mrs. Betty Johnson. De Witt.

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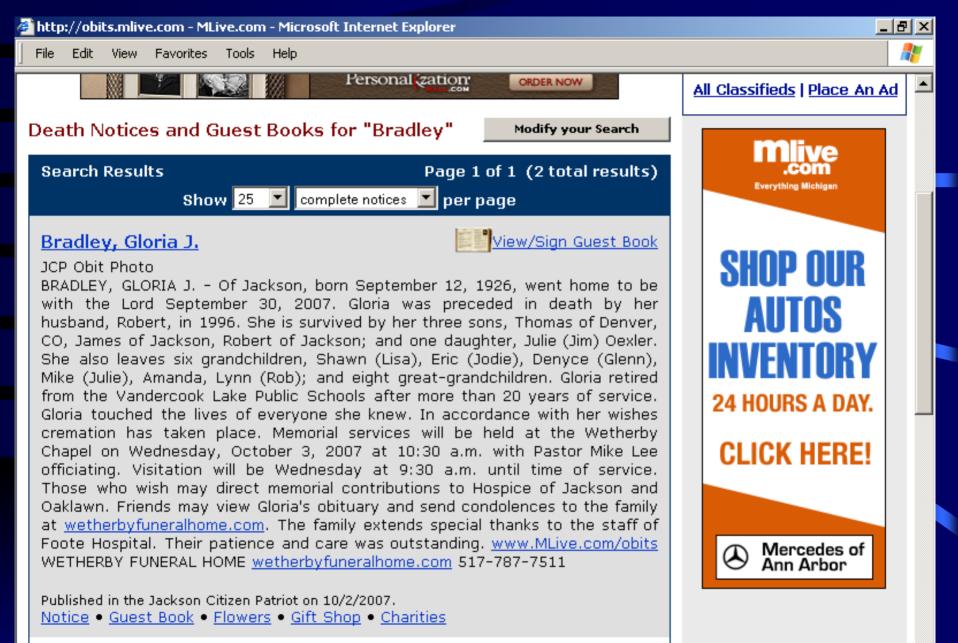
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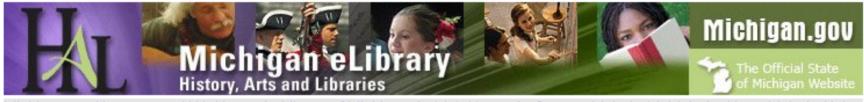
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Wilkinson	James L.				8/30/2000	9/6/2000	Brighton Argus
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Wilkinson	Robert J.	Veith, Florentina	Wilkinson, Robert J.	Gaiorneau, Cathern	9/10/2001	9/13/2001	LCD Press & Argus
Wilkinson	Lillian A.				3/2/2002	3/5/2002	LCD Press & Argus
Wilkinson	George C.				10/1/2003	10/9/2003	LCD Press & Argus
Wilkinson	George C.				10/1/2003	10/10/2003	LCD Press & Argus
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Further information about the deceased (ie. date of death, children, grandchildren, etc.) can be found by reading the actual obituaries which have been scanned from the Charlevoix Courier.

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# James Thomas: June 8, 1934 - Oct. 11, 2007

James Leroy Thomas, 73, died on Thursday, Oct. 11 after a two-year battle with Primary CNS lymphoma.

He was born on June 8, 1934 in Runnels. Iowa, the son of Cecil James and June (Green) Thomas both of whom preceded him in death. He graduated from high school in Lamoni, Iowa in 1952 and enlisted in the navy where he served three years during the Korean conflict. Upon his discharge and return to the U.S., he attended Graceland College in Lamoni, Iowa from 1955-1957 and was a graduate of Cornell College in Mt. Vernon, Iowa with a bachelor of arts in business administration. He also served as student union director of Cornell College following graduation. In 1962 he married Paula Lamoreux of Lanark, Ill.

He received his master's degree in recreation from the University of Illinois in 1963 and began his career in managing student unions as the assistant social director of the Illini Union. He held positions as student center director at North Dakota State University, Georgia Tech and Wayne State University, as well as business administrator at Wayne State before moving to Santa Fe, New Mexico. It was in Santa. Fe that he began what would

be a lifetime career in real estate sales. In 1973, Jim moved to Charlevoix where he continucd in real estate sales (Jerry Lesher Real Estate, Charlevoix Properties, Thomas Real Estate, Century 21), and most recently with Vacation Properties Network.

He was a member of the Antrim-Charlevoix Board of Realtors and the Sierra Club. Jim was a vocal and staunch Democrat and strong supporter of many social and environmental causes. Most importantly, his love for the University of Michigan was only surpassed by his love of family.

Jim is survived by his com-

panion of 17 years, Judi Lozo and his two daughters, Lara-(Jean Steppe) Thomas and Elka (Adam) Francisco and three grandchildren, Grace Steppe and Oliver Steppe Thomas and Sophia Marie Francisco. Survivors also include his sister Norma Thomas Small (Richard) of Tulsa, Okla, and Robert Thomas (Virginia) of Los Angeles, Calif. He was preceded in death by his youngest sister, Sharon Thomas.

Jim requested to not have a memorial service. Memorial contributions can be made to Hospice of Northwest Michigan, P.O. Box 233, Boyne City, MI 49712.





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- Card File Subject Index to Grand Rapids Newspapers The Story of Grand Rapids was edited by Z. Z. Lydens (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Kregel Publications, 1966). A



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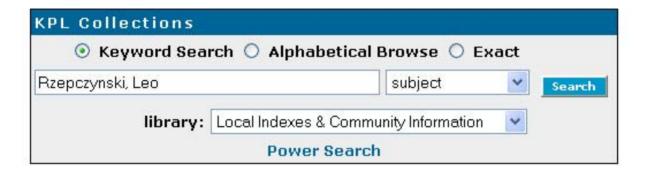
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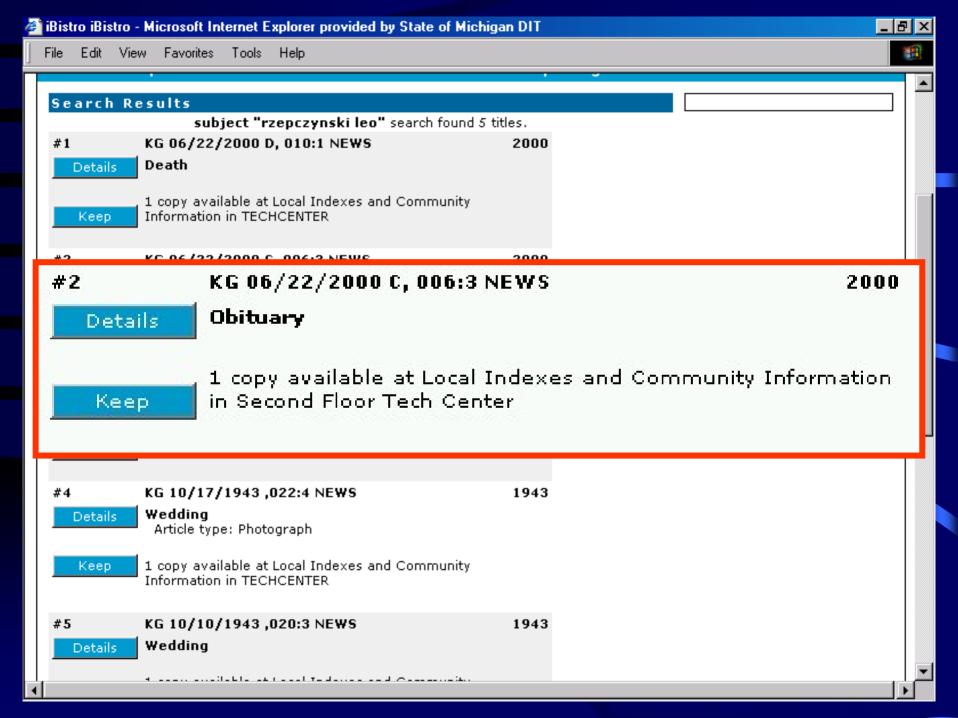
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This obituary index is a work in progress and contains over 76,000 entries dating from Southwest Michigan's earliest history through the year 2000. Thousands of entries will be added over the course of the next year or two. Soon to come will be more databases indexing births, marriages, anniversaries, engagements, and miscellaneous. Obituaries included pertain to residents of the Michigan counties of Allegan, Berrien, Cass, Kalamazoo and Van Buren. They have been taken from a variety of resources including newspapers, published biographies, funeral records, etc. The index includes the first and last name of the decedent, the issue date of the newspaper, a code representing the source, and a page number. The page number corresponds to the hard copy of the obituary. This page number is needed to order copies. The source code table is as follows:

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CL - Courier-Leader, Paw Paw

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- Chicago Defender Newspaper: Some Deaths 1936-1938 ~ Illinois From the Patricia Liddell Researchers.
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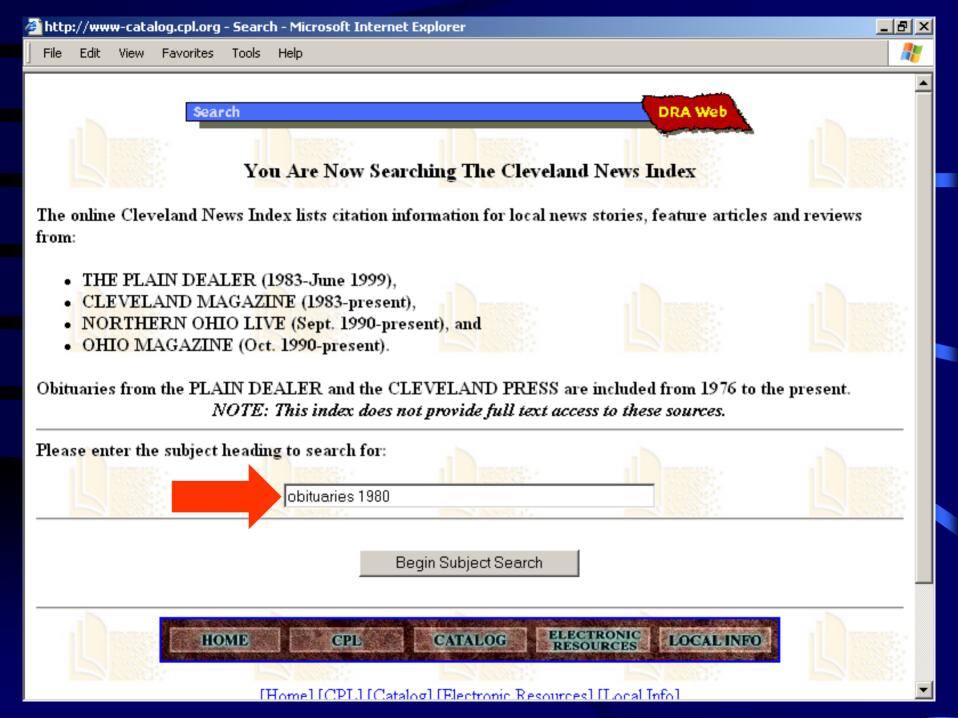
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